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American Lutheran Church of Sun City.



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Saturdays 4pm

Sundays 8:30am & 10:30am

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BELONGING: PRAYER, CARE, LEGACY &

By: *Pastor Scott Klimke*

At a recent event held at ALC, our local bishop, Bishop Deborah Hutterer of the Grand Canyon Synod, led a group of pastors and lay leaders through Martin Luther's explanation of The Lord's Prayer in The Small Catechism. Knowing this article was looming, I was struck when Bishop Hutterer pointed out that Luther begins with the language of belonging. Adopted as beloved children of God through baptism, we pray not as unconnected, unrelated strangers, but as children who lovingly belong to our Father in heaven. And as we belong to our loving Father, we also lovingly belong to each other, praying not to "My Father" or "Their Father," but to "Our Father." Already joined together by Christian behaviors and beliefs, belonging is a huge part of what it means to be baptized and believing children of God.

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Belonging to the same heavenly Father and to each other, we're in what we call "church" or "ALC" together. Belonging to the same Father and family, we share a common life from which none of us is excused.

Recently I've been impressed by the way commitment to our common life has shown up in cares and concerns expressed about ill or missing members of the community. **Belonging to the same Father and family, commitment to our common life was also very much in play when a decade ago the ALC family entered into a building project which came with significant debt.** What remains of that debt, approximately \$1.1 million, will be renewed at a **different interest rate in mid-May.** With interest rates up, it will behoove us and the ministry to which we all belong to reduce the remaining loan principal by as much as possible before mid-May arrives. With this goal in mind, **\$150,000 in matching funds were recently made available** through the generosity of a deceased member. Contributions made in response to this generous offer of matching funds will need to be over and above regular gifts to be helpful. On a tight budget already, substituting mortgage reduction gifts for regular gifts will very quickly hurt the overall ministry at the present time. **But for every dollar in special giving directed toward debt reduction, there will be a dollar-for-dollar match up to \$150,000 and maybe even beyond if things go particularly well as they might by God's grace.**

In retrospect, it was certainly God's grace that led the giver of the matching funds I've identified to consider their legacy before it was too late. This is precisely what Tom Hoden and our Stewardship Committee are helping people do through their presentations made in support of the Forward from Fifty Fund. The emphasis is in no way upon increasing current giving so worries about running out of retirement resources might grow all the more. With everyone involved retired, no one wants this!

What's in view instead is getting together with a practical and seasoned financial professional who was good enough to own and operate his own agency and advise individuals so that their future tax obligations might be minimized and future legacy gifts for loved ones and favorite charities might be maximized. **If you've yet to consider your future legacy as thoroughly as would be prudent, or are open to simple and practical suggestions to enrich your situation, please attend one of the 30-45 minute sessions Tom and the Stewardship Committee will be holding in March.** A general session for everyone will be held at **10 AM on Friday, March 14th**, with another general session to follow at **2 PM on Friday, March 27th**. With Congregational President Terri Polk hosting, **a session designed for women will be held at 10 AM on the 27th** as well. Come as circumstance and the Spirit move. I certainly know there are plenty of other important ways to make common cause with one another if what I've written about doesn't work for you at this time.

Your Brother in Belonging, Behavior, and Belief,
Pastor Scott

Join Us in Welcoming New Stephen Ministers



2026 STEPHEN MINISTRY COMMISSIONING ALL MEMBERS OF ALC ARE INVITED

Our 2026 Stephen Ministry training here at ALC concludes on March 27th marking 50 hours of training for our new Stephen Ministers. The 2026 class of Stephen Ministers will be commissioned on **Saturday, March 29th at our annual Stephen Ministry Banquet to be held in their honor.** The banquet and commissioning service will begin at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall following the 4pm worship service. The theme this year's class has chosen for their commissioning and banquet is "TRUST IN THE LORD". The program will include a unique medley of hymns that have been especially meaningful in their lives.

All members of ALC are invited to join us in welcoming and affirming these new Stephen Ministers at the commissioning service and banquet. The banquet menu will feature Chicken Cordon Bleu. Tickets are \$10.00 and will be available in the courtyard before and after Saturday services on March 14th and 21st and between Sunday services on March 15th and 22nd, as well as in the church office during regular office hours beginning on Monday, March 16th. We look forward to having you join us in welcoming and affirming these new members of Stephen Ministry at ALC.

A Second Invitation:

One focus of our Stephen Ministry Continuing Education programs this year is on dementia-related issues. More than 150 people attended the program on Brain Health on February 26th, which was sponsored by ALC Stephen Ministry. Continuing in that path, our continuing education program for **March will be a presentation by Sun Health's Memory Care Navigator**. At this session, Michelle will present a general overview of Alzheimer's and dementia, and this program will set the stage for our April program, which will deal specifically with effective communication skills for ministering to someone with dementia. **Our March meeting is on Thursday, March 13th, at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall.** This is a required meeting for all Stephen Ministers, and **all members of ALC are invited to join us for both of these sessions.** Following the presentations, our Stephen Ministers will meet in their peer groups.

A Stephen Ministry **MOMENT**

*Be blessed by being a blessing to others.
Christ Caring for People Through People.*



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**


COME SEE &

THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL EVENTS:

Holden Evening Prayer

Gather with us during the Lenten season as we sing, pray, and reflect on the Ten Commandments.


Every Wednesday in March

 6:00pm

 ALC Sanctuary

Special Study Opportunity The 40 days of Lent: Customs, Concepts, and Commitment

Thursdays

 10:30am

 Chapel

No session March 19

Prayer, fasting, and the giving of alms are marks of discipleship foundational to Lent. Learn how this was faithfully lived out in the past and come away with ideas of how to live Lent today.




for the Health of It
Learning Series

Living Well with Diabetes

Join Sun Health's Nutritionist Sarah Fagus to learn about diabetes basics, its health impacts, and practical management strategies.

Wednesday, March

11th

 10:00am-11:00am

 Rooms A/B

Spring Love Luncheon

Men and Women are invited to gather in friendship and Christian love as we support the Alleluia Better Chance Diaper Closet. Purchase your ticket (\$10) before March 15.

Thursday,
March

19th

🕒 10:30am

📍 Fellowship Hall

Quilt Blessing and Sale



March

14th & 15th
21st & 22nd

🕒 Following
Saturday &
Sunday
Worship

📍 ALC Sanctuary
& Courtyard



Our ALC quilters will be selling their creations following Saturday and Sunday worship services. Unsold quilts will be donated to area charities, and revenue will be used to purchase much-needed quilting supplies.

**Forward
from 50**

**Maximize Your Legacy
Minimize Your Taxes**

Learn about money management strategies that will help you preserve your faithful commitments for future generations.



FOR EVERYONE:

Friday,  10:00am
March 13th  Lounge

FOR WOMEN ONLY:

Friday,  10:00am
March 27th  Lounge

FOR EVERYONE:


Friday,  2:00pm
March 27th  Lounge


**Stephen
Ministry
Banquet**

Everyone is invited to celebrate the commissioning of our newest Stephen Ministers. Purchase your \$10.00 ticket to this celebration of ministry in the ALC office or courtyard the weekends of March 14/15 and March 21/22.

Saturday,
March

28th

 5:00pm-
7:00pm

 Fellowship Hall



Palm Sunday

March 28 at 4 PM

March 29 at 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Maundy Thursday

April 2 at 6:00 PM

Good Friday

April 3 at 12:00 & 6:00 PM

Holy Saturday

April 4 at 4:00 PM

Easter Sunday Services

April 5 at 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM



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COME GIVE &

Making a Difference Together



PB & J



Change for Change PIGGY BANKS

Pick up a piggy bank in the narthex and fill it with your spare change. Return it to the narthex after Easter (or sooner if you're leaving town). You will change lives with your donation to the ELCA World Hunger Program.



ELCA
World Hunger

Do you belong to THRIVENT?

Did you know there are a lot of perks?

1. You have **“Choice Dollars”** you can donate to ANY charity or organization. You can even divide your choice dollars among your favorites.
2. You can apply for an **“Action Grant”** for \$250.00 for a special event or ministry you want to assist. At ALC, Thrivent members have received grants that have supported I-HELP, the quilting ministry, special luncheons, and other service projects. If you need help submitting the simple paperwork, experienced help is nearby!
3. You can now request a **“Cause Kit”** - simple kits a small group builds to help people far away. Currently two options are available, Water Filter kits and Solar Light kits. These kits are free if you belong to Thrivent and the Social Ministry Committee wants to hear from you for a project in the fall.

If you belong to Thrivent, please call the church office or speak with any member of the Social Ministry team. The committee hopes to host an event in the fall and your Choice Dollars and Cause Kits would help! You can help Thrivent live out its call to generosity and help ALC live out its call to love and serve our neighbors.

THANK YOU!



For Your Souper Bowl of Caring!

tacklehunger.org

Maybe your favorite team didn't win, but you belong to the ALC team that worked to tackle hunger on Super Bowl weekend. Thank you!

The Final Score:

\$310.55 Seattle Seahawks

\$93.25 New England Patriots

TOTAL = **\$403.80**

donated to local food pantries.

THANK YOU!

For Participating in Feed My Starving Children



2026 TOTALS:

186,624 Meals Packed

511 Kids Fed for an Entire Year

Thanks to all who joyfully stepped up to work with our neighboring faith community at Lord of Life Lutheran Church.

Hospitality in

Supporting the Sweet Moments We Share



Every Cup

One of the simple joys of Sunday mornings at American Lutheran Church is gathering after worship for coffee, conversation, and connection.

These moments of laughter, catching up, and welcoming new faces are part of what makes our church feel like home.

To help sustain this time of fellowship, we invite you to consider contributing \$1 during Coffee Hour as a free will offering. These gifts help cover the cost of coffee, cups, napkins, treats, beverages, and other hospitality supplies—items that continue to rise in price.

It may seem small, but together these offerings make a big difference. For about the cost of a cup of coffee, you help create a space where friendships grow and community deepens.

Thank you for your generosity and for being part of the warmth we share each week.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8:30 Worship - S 9:30 Coffee Fellowship - FH 10:30 Worship - S	2 9:00 Connecting Threads Sewing & Crafts - MP 1:30 Card Making Class - C	3 9:00 Sun City Sings! Rehearsal - ChR 9:30 Memory Caregiver Support Group - AB 12:00 Cactus Conference. Mtg. - AB 1:30 Evangelism Committee Mtg. - AB 1:30 Grief Group - L 3:30 Christo Bell Choir Rehearsal - S	4 10:30 Pastor's Bible Study - FH 1:00 I-Help Planning Group - AB 4:00 Wednesday Night Alive! - S / FH	5 10:00 MS Support Group - AB 10:30 Lenten Study Group: The 40 Days of Lent - Cp 2:30 Choir Rehearsal - ChR	6 9:00 Stephen Ministry Training - L 10:00 Women's Bible Study - AB	7 8:30 Happy Hour Neighborhood Group- FH 4:00 Worship - S
8 8:30 Worship - S 9:30 Coffee Fellowship - FH 9:30 Pastor's Meet & Greet - FH 10:30 Worship - S 3:00 Monroe Crossing Concert - S	9 9:00 Connecting Threads Sewing & Crafts - MP 10:00 Wednesday Night Alive! Committee - CfR 10:30 Good Book Club - AB 1:00 Social Ministry Committee Mtg. - L 1:30 Card Making Class - C	10 9:00 Sun City Sings! Rehearsal - ChR 9:30 Memory Caregiver Support Group - AB 12:00 Cactus Conference. Mtg. - AB 1:00 Bandage Spinning Women's Ministry - FH 1:00 Trust Committee - CfR 1:00 Worship & Music Committee - ChR 1:30 Grief Group - L 3:30 Christo Bell Choir Rehearsal - S	11 10:00 For the Health of It: Living Well with Diabetes - AB 10:30 Pastor's Bible Study - FH 1:00 Pastor's Meet & Greet - CfR 4:00 Wednesday Night Alive! - S / FH	12 9:00 Stephen Ministry FH* 10:30 Lenten Study Group: The 40 Days of Lent - Cp 2:30 Choir Rehearsal - ChR	13 8:00 Quilter Set up in Sanctuary 9:00 Stephen Ministry Training - C 10:00 Forward from 50 Presentation with Tom Hoden - L 10:00 Women's Bible Study - AB	14 9:00 Neighborhood - 3 C's (Chat, Chatter & Comfort) - AB 4:00 Worship - S 5:00 2 nd Saturday Fellowship - AB <i>Quilt Blessing and Sale</i>
15 8:30 Worship - S 9:30 Coffee Fellowship - FH 10:30 Worship - S <i>Quilt Blessing and Sale</i>	16 9:00 Connecting Threads Sewing & Crafts - MP 1:30 Card Making Class - C	17 9:00 Sun City Sings! Rehearsal - ChR 9:30 Memory Caregiver Support Group - AB 12:00 Cactus Conference. Mtg. - AB 1:00 Finance & Personnel Committee Mtg. - CfR 1:30 Grief Group - L 3:30 Christo Bell Choir Rehearsal - S	18 8:00 Quail Run Neighborhood Group 9:00 Ikebana - AB 10:30 Pastor's Bible Study - FH 12:30 ALC Game Day - FH 4:00 Wednesday Night Alive! - S / FH	19 9:00 Stephen Ministry Leadership - C 10:30 CANCELED: Lenten Study Group: The 40 Days of Lent 10:30 Women's Ministry Love Luncheon - FH 1:00 Executive Committee 2:30 Choir Rehearsal - ChR	20 9:00 Stephen Ministry Training - L 10:00 Women's Bible Study - AB	21 4:00 Worship - S Quilt Sale - CY
22 8:30 Worship - S 9:30 Coffee Fellowship - FH 10:30 Worship - S Quilt Sale - CY	23 9:00 Connecting Threads Sewing & Crafts - MP 1:00 West Valley Chorale Rehearsal - S 1:30 Card Making Class - C	24 9:00 Sun City Sings! Rehearsal - ChR 9:30 Memory Caregiver Support Group - AB 12:00 Cactus Conference. Mtg. - AB 1:30 Council Mtg. - AB 1:30 Grief Group - L 3:30 Christo Bell Choir Rehearsal - ChR 7:00 West Valley Chorale Concert - S	25 10:30 Pastor's Bible Study - FH 4:00 Wednesday Night Alive! - S / FH	26 10:30 Lenten Study Group: The 40 Days of Lent - Cp 2:30 Choir Rehearsal - ChR	27 10:00 Forward from 50 Presentation with Tom Hoden for ALC Women - L 10:00 Women's Bible Study - AB 2:00 Forward from 50 Presentation with Tom Hoden - L	28 4:00 Worship - S 5:00 Stephen Ministry Banquet - FH
29 PALM SUNDAY 8:30 Worship - S 9:30 Coffee Fellowship - FH 10:30 Worship - S	30 9:00 Connecting Threads Sewing & Crafts - MP 1:30 Card Making Class - C	31 9:00 Sun City Sings! Rehearsal - ChR 9:30 Memory Caregiver Support Group - AB 12:00 Cactus Conference. Mtg. - AB 1:30 Grief Group - L 3:30 Christo Bell Choir Rehearsal - S				

Stewardship Snapshot ---

Financial Summary as of February 28, 2026:

MEMBER COMMUNITY GENEROSITY:

CURRENT OFFERINGS & DONATIONS	\$158,479.20
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RESERVED OFFERINGS USED	\$30,025.00
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DONATIONS	\$2,357.00
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TOTAL MEMBER  COMMUNITY SUPPORT	\$190,861.20
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MEMBER & COMMUNITY CARE:

MINISTRIES OF CARE **-\$171,985.41**

HOSPITABLE FACILITIES **-\$20,367.52**

TOTAL MEMBER & COMMUNITY CARE **-\$192,352.93**

LEFT FOR MORTGAGE PRINCIPAL **-\$1,491.73**

MORTGAGE PRINCIPAL PAID **-\$17,775.76**

LEFT FOR MINISTRY PARTNERS & FACILITY UPKEEP **-\$19,267.49**



Gifts & Memorials

Honoring Lives, Continuing Ministry

We are deeply grateful for the generous gifts and memorials that honor loved ones while blessing ALC's ministries. These heartfelt donations bring comfort to families and help our church community thrive. Your thoughtfulness and support truly make a difference in continuing God's work here at ALC.

We gratefully acknowledge:

Jill Pottenger — **Music & Worship In Memory of Wallace Pottenger**

Lowanne Brokaw — **Music & Worship - Spring Concert**

Ardith Fuglie — **In Memory of Wally Pottenger**

Patricia Mason — **Wednesday Night Alive - Gift**

Patricia Mason — **Women's Ministry - Gift**

Jim & Pamela Phillips — **Music & Worship - Spring Concert**

Yvonne Saetre — **In Memory of Yvonne Bender**

Tom & Sally Hickerson — **Fellowship Gift**

Altar Flower Gifts

Thank you for making our worship space beautiful.

MARCH ALTAR FLOWERS

For Services on March 1st - Steve Joyce
In Memory of Mother, Jeanne Joyce

For Services on March 1st - Bud & Helen Eskritt
In Celebration of our 70th Wedding Anniversary

For Services on March 8th - Chuck & Nancy Curry
In Celebration of Nancy's Birthday

For Services on March 8th - Emily & Greg Leggett
In Memory of John Brown

For Services on March 29th - Tom Read
In Memory of my Parents' Anniversary

RESERVE A LILY FOR EASTER

Use an envelope in the narthex or come to the ALC office to order Easter lilies in memory, honor, or celebration of a loved one. The cost is \$15.00 each and the lilies can be taken home following the 11am service on April 5th.



COME & BELONG



How to Become a Member at ALC

Through water and the word of baptism, you belong to Christ. But how do you formally "belong" to the faith community known as American Lutheran Church of Sun City, AZ? It's really quite simple:

- 1.** You speak to a member of the pastoral team and express your interest.
- 2.** You attend a "Pastors' Meet and Greet." Usually held on the second Wednesday of the month, this is an informal opportunity for conversation, storytelling, meeting staff members, and building relationships.
- 3.** You fill out a "blue card" for administrative purposes and plan to affirm your baptism with the people of ALC. If you are transferring a regular membership from one congregation to another, we can handle the simple paperwork for you.
- 4.** On the fourth weekend of the month, you gather with your sisters and brothers in Christ and affirm your baptism.

At this time, we do not hold membership classes, but point interested parties in the right direction for questions pertaining to our ELCA tradition, congregational life, and opportunities for mission and ministry.

Several types of membership are available. **Regular members** are those who normally spend the entire year in Sun City. **Associate members** often hold membership in a congregation outside of the area and spend part of their year within that community. Associate membership in ALC does not affect your membership in any other community of faith. Aside from not being allowed to attend the churchwide assembly on behalf of both congregations or not being allowed to vote if the congregation may be considering dissolution, associate membership comes with all the rights and privileges of regular ALC membership.

Whether or not you make the choice to formally "belong" to ALC, please remember this: it is by the gift of the Holy Spirit and the grace of God that any of us get to belong to the body of Christ our Lord and Savior.

Find Your People in Friendship Groups

Join a Friendship Group—formerly known as "neighborhood groups." Groups meet at restaurants, catered breakfasts, or lunch. A new TGIF Friendship Group starts this month on Friday afternoons. Missing camaraderie and conversation? Check the table near the kitchen in Fellowship Hall for dates, places, and hosts. You can belong to any group!

Meet Your Ministry Team

Who does what and when in the ALC office? An aspect of belonging to Christ and being part of the body is adjusting to the gifts and passions of each individual member. The same holds true for the individuals who are part of the paid ministry team at ALC. After one year of working together, the team has adjusted a few areas of responsibility so that we can be effective and efficient servants.

The "Who Handles What" chart on the following page includes some of the recent shifts. But that's not all that has shifted! So that we share the good news of welcome and invitation in a timely fashion, we ask that committees make their scheduling and advertising requests at least 30 days prior to an event. This will help us spread the word and make good use of the various ways we invite people onto our campus and into the ministries we offer.

Who Handles What *at ALC*

Request	Staff	Ext. #
Bills and Donations	Amelia	106
Columbarium Sales and Questions	Amelia	106
Greeter and Usher Scheduling	Amelia	106
Wednesday Night Alive Tickets	Amelia	106
Assistance with finances, housing, community resources, transportation (Wednesdays only)	Annette	114
Calendar – All groups and events without exception	James	117
First Contact for All Funeral and Fellowship Meal Planning	James	117
All contacts related to Stephen Ministry or Lay Eucharist Ministry	Pr. Lisa	109
Communion Assistant and Reader Scheduling	Nicole	113
Database Updates Unrelated to Membership Removal	Nicole	113
First Contact for Appointments with Staff (reason for appointment to be noted in advance)	Nicole	113
Prayer List Additions and Updates	Nicole	113
Mail Reception and Distribution	Nicole	113
Neighborhood Group Questions	Nicole	113
All Membership Removal Contacts	Pr. Scott	105
All Requests Related to Announcements, Event Promotion, and Publications	Pr. Julia	108
All Visitor and New Member Inquiries	Pr. Julia	108
Alarms and Facility Emergencies	Dave	104

Welcome our new members!

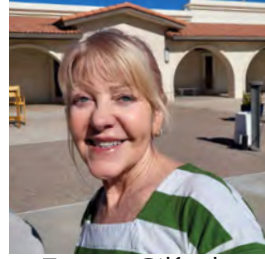
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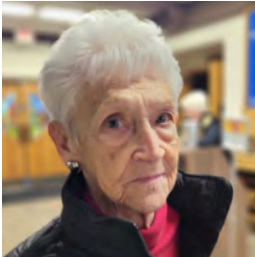
Nancy Buss



Steve Buss



Tammy Gilford



Patty Harms



Sue Korpela



Beth Lange



Karen Twedt



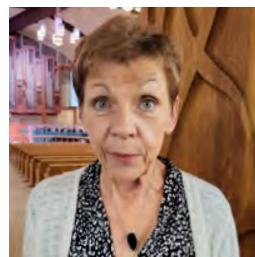
David Twedt



Carol Vekich



John Vekich



Diane Wheat



Robert Wheat

New Members Received February 21st & 22nd

(photos to come next month!):

Ray & Connie Broadland

Carole Reinke

In Loving Memory

We honor our beloved church members who passed away since our last newsletter. Each person leaves a legacy of faith that continues to inspire our congregation. We extend heartfelt prayers to their families and give thanks for the blessing of sharing in their lives.

John Nau

86 years old

Date Of Death: February 12, 2026

Member Spotlights



Charmel Bolster

'belonged' to the community choir which presented the "Glory & Peace" concert in February.

My name is Charmel Bolster, and I am a 79-year-old Catholic, retired educator and musician, and former Dominican teacher and monastic nun.

My introduction to ALC began four years ago when I was singing with the West Valley Chorale and we received an invitation to join the ALC choir for a major concert. After working with Janet and Dr. James, I was hooked. After the second concert the following year, I joined the choir and was grateful that they accepted me even though I was a Catholic. I still attend Mass on Saturday afternoons so I can sing with the choir on Sunday mornings.

I not only love the choir, but love everything about American Lutheran Church. The congregation has welcomed me, accepted me as one of their own, and ministered to me. The interactions I have had with the pastors and congregation have enriched my life beyond measure. I believe the most important thing about ALC is its ability to make sure people don't fall between the cracks. They truly want to minister to all who enter their doors.

Ed & Cindy Sauriol

Cindy and Ed Sauriol are thrilled to belong to the Seattle Seahawks Fan Club and in November 2025, affirmed their faith at American Lutheran Church.

They have been married for over 42 years and are proud parents of four daughters and seven grandchildren (with fraternal twins due in July). They spend winters here and the rest of their time with grandkids in Minnesota (4), Washington (3), and coming soon to Southern California (2).



Cindy enjoys her Bible study, shopping, and occasional travel. Ed busies himself golfing and walking their eight-year-old Cavalier King Charles, Bogey. Mostly they just enjoy each other's company and yelling "What's for dinner tonight?" from opposite sides of the house.

Dennis & Sue Sylvestre

Dennis and Sue Sylvestre belong to the Hospitality Team, extending a warm "Phillie" greeting to all who step foot on the ALC campus. If you're so inclined, Dennis has dad jokes he'll gladly share at the 8:30 service!



Sue was born in Philadelphia, PA, and Dennis in Mt. Clemens, MI. At age one, Dennis moved to Levittown, PA, north of Philly. Dennis grew up as an SK (church secretary kid) and attended Catholic school. "I still cringe whenever I see a three-sided ruler, which was the nun's weapon of choice."



Sue and Dennis married in 1977 and lived in Maryland and New Jersey before returning to Levittown to raise their children. They remain die-hard Philadelphia sports fans.

"We retired to Sun City to be closer to our daughter's family and watch our grandsons grow up. We've been ALC members for two years, active as ushers and on the evangelism committee. We feel blessed meeting people and sharing what a special church community we belong to."

Where You Belong

Throughout this newsletter, you've read stories of belonging—from Luther's reminder that we pray to "Our Father," to Charmel finding a choir family that welcomed her Catholic faith, to Ed and Cindy discovering community with the Seahawks fans and their church family alike.

But our belonging begins in a surprising place: Ash Wednesday. "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." We belong first to a fallen humanity—broken, imperfect, in need of grace we cannot earn.

And yet, through baptism, God claims us anyway. Not because we're good enough, but because God chooses to make us family. Through Christ, we are called from death to life, from strangers to beloved children of God.

This is the belonging we celebrate in every story in this newsletter—in Stephen Ministers caring for the vulnerable, in matching gifts that reduce our shared debt, in friendship groups gathering over lunch, in new members affirming their baptism. We belong to God's household not by our own doing, but by God's grace alone.

Whether you're a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you have a place here. Because belonging to God's family isn't about what you do—it's about whose you are. You are God's beloved child, claimed in baptism, called to repentance, and made new by grace.

So come as you are. Dust and glory. Broken and beloved. Bring your whole self to this household of faith where we stumble toward grace together.



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& 10:30am

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